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TITLE: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING PROGRAM FOR PARALLEL PROCESSING PURPOSES,
STORAGE MEDIUM HAVING STORED THEREON PROGRAM GETTING PROGRAM PROCESSING EXECUTED
FOR PARALLEL PROCESSING PURPOSES, AND STORAGE MEDIUM HAVING STORED THEREON
INSTRUCTION SET TO BE EXECUTED IN PARALLEL

DATE-ISSUED: July 6, 2004

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US-CL-CURRENT: 717/149; 717/146, 717/152, 717/159

ABSTRACT:

A parallel data processing system is provided for increasing the program execution
rate of a target machine. A parallelizer converts intermediate code, which has been
generated by a compiler front end, into a parallelly executable form. An execution
order determiner determines the order of the basic blocks to be executed. An
expanded basic block parallelizer subdivides the intermediate code of the basic
blocks into execution units, each of which is made up of parallelly executable
instructions, following the order determined and on the basic block basis. When a
particular one of the basic blocks is subdivided into execution units, an
instruction belonging to the first execution unit of the next basic block, which
has already been subdivided into execution units, is also used.

28 Claims, 27 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 12

☑ 2. Document ID: US 5680637 A

L5: Entry 2 of 3   File: USPT   Oct 21, 1997

US-PAT-NO: 5680637
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5680637 A

TITLE: Computer having a parallel operating capability

DATE-ISSUED: October 21, 1997

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/24; 712/206, 712/208, 712/215, 712/216, 712/23

ABSTRACT:

A RISC processor is arranged to reduce a code size, make the hardware less
complicated, execute a plurality of operations for one machine cycle, and enhance
the performance. The processor is capable of executing N instruction each having a
short word length for indicating a single operation or an instruction having a long
word length for indicating M (N<M) operations. When the number of operations to be
executed in parallel is large, the long-word instruction is used. When it is small,
the short-word instruction is used. A competition between the long-word
instructions is detected by hardware and a competition between the short-word
instructions only is detected by software. The simplification of the hardware
brings about improvement of a machine cycle, improvement of a code cache hit ratio
caused by the reduction of a code size and increase of the number of operations to
be executed in parallel for the purpose of enhancing the performance.

7 Claims, 41 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 36

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☐   3.   Document ID: US 5649135 A

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US-PAT-NO: 5649135
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5649135 A

TITLE: Parallel processing system and method using surrogate instructions

DATE-ISSUED: July 15, 1997

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/200

ABSTRACT:

A parallel processing system and method is disclosed, which provides an improved
instruction distribution mechanism for a parallel processing array. The invention
broadcasts a basic instruction to each of a plurality of processor elements. Each
processor element decodes the same instruction by combining it with a unique offset
value stored in each respective processor element, to produce a derived instruction
that is unique to the processor element. A first type of basic instruction results
in the processor element performing a logical or control operation. A second type
of basic instruction results in the generation of a pointer address. The pointer
address has a unique address value because it results from combining the basic
instruction with the unique offset value stored at the processor element. The
pointer address is used to access an alternative instruction from an alternative
instruction storage, for execution in the processor element. The alternative
instruction is a very long instruction word, whose length is, for example, an
integral multiple of the length of the basic instruction and contains much more
information than can be represented by the basic instruction. A very long
instruction word such as this is useful for providing parallel control of a
plurality of primitive execution units that reside within the processor element. In
this manner, a high degree of flexibility and versatility is attained in the
operation of processor elements of a parallel processing array.

23 Claims, 28 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 21
Number of Drawing Sheets: 26

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US-PAT-NO: 6789181
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6789181 B1

TITLE: Safety net paradigm for managing two computer execution modes

DATE-ISSUED: September 7, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Reese; David L.	Westborough	MA		
Van Dyke; Korbin S.	Sunol	CA		
Hohensee; Paul H.	Nashua	NH		

US-CL-CURRENT: 712/4; 714/37

ABSTRACT:

A method and computer for executing the method. A source program is translated into an object program, in a manner in which the translated object program has a different execution behavior than the source program. The translated object program is executed under a monitor capable of detecting any deviation from fully-correct interpretation before any side-effect of the different execution behavior is irreversibly committed. When the monitor detects the deviation, or when an interrupt occurs during execution of the object program, a state of the program is established corresponding to a state that would have occurred during an execution of the source program, and from which execution can continue. Execution of the source program continues primarily in a hardware emulator designed to execute instructions of an instruction set non-native to the computer.

48 Claims, 50 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 41

☐ 2. Document ID: US 6779107 B1

L11: Entry 2 of 31   File: USPT   Aug 17, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6779107
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6779107 B1

TITLE: Computer execution by opportunistic adaptation .

DATE-ISSUED: August 17, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/229; 712/41, 712/43

ABSTRACT:

A microprocessor chip and methods for execution by the microprocessor chip.
Instruction pipeline circuitry has first and second correct modes for processing at
least some instructions. A plurality of flags each correspond to a class of
instruction occurring in the instruction pipeline circuitry. Pipeline control
circuitry cooperates with the instruction pipeline circuitry, as part of the basic
execution cycle of the computer, to maintain the value of the flags to record
failures of an attempt to execute in the first mode two mode instructions of the
corresponding respective instruction classes, to be triggered by a timer expiry to
switch the value of the flags, thereby to switch the instruction pipeline circuitry
from one of the processing modes to the other for the corresponding instruction
class. The mode switch persists for instructions consecutively executed on behalf
of a program that was in execution immediately before the timer expiry, beyond any
exception handlers invoked consequent to the timer expiry. As each classified
instruction comes up for execution in the instruction pipeline circuitry, the
instruction pipeline circuitry executes the instruction in a mode determined, at
least in part, by the value of the corresponding flag.

30 Claims, 50 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 41

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 3. Document ID: US 6615340 B1

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US-PAT-NO: 6615340
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6615340 B1

TITLE: Extended operand management indicator structure and method

DATE-ISSUED: September 2, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>712</u>/<u>209</u>; <u>712</u>/<u>217</u>, <u>712</u>/<u>218</u>

ABSTRACT:

Extended operand management indicators stored during initial program execution enable management and regulation of operand values and streamline their handling. Operand values are stored in new types of stores. Operand location management indicators indicate current operand value locations among various store types for selected operands. Indicated operand-forwarding policies for selected operands streamline forwarding of operand values from source instructions to value receiving target instructions. Indicated loop iterations of operand source instructions enable forwarding of operands over more than one loop iteration. Stride indicators indicate strides of program loop accesses to matrix operands. Inter-loop indicators enable forwarding of operand values from source loop instructions directly to target loop instructions. Constant or nearly constant operands are indicated to enable their storage in special caches. Operands used for cross-CPU serialization are indicated for special handling and storage in spin lock cache. Indicators of farthest back and farthest forward branches since operand last update are used to enhance the prediction of longer-range branch directions. Virtual predicate operand indicators streamline execution of densely branching program code. Stack operand indicators enable nullification of paired stack pointer increment-decrement operations to avoid serious operand serialization bottlenecks in very high issue rate machines.

15 Claims, 19 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 19

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 4.   Document ID: US 6553513 B1

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US-PAT-NO: 6553513
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6553513 B1

TITLE: Emulation suspend mode with differing response to differing classes of interrupts

DATE-ISSUED: April 22, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>714</u>/<u>28</u>; <u>714</u>/<u>25</u>, <u>714</u>/<u>27</u>, <u>714</u>/<u>30</u>

ABSTRACT:

Emulation and debug circuitry is provided that can be incorporated into a variety of digital systems. A stop mode of operation is provided in which an associated processor stops processing instructions in response to a debug event. A real-time

mode of operation is provided in which the processor stops processing background instructions in response to a debug event, but in which high priority interrupts are still processed. Interrupts are classified and processed accordingly when the processor is stopped by a debug event. While suspended for a debug event, a frame counter keeps track of interrupt debug state if multiple interrupts occur. While running or suspended, the emulation circuitry can jam an instruction into the instruction register of the processor to cause processor resources to be read or written on behalf of the emulation circuitry. Read/write transactions are qualified by an expected frame count to maintain correspondence between test host software and multiple debug/interrupt events. An embodiment of a processor core is provided that is a programmable digital signal processor (DSP) with variable instruction length, offering both high code density and easy programming. Architecture and instruction set are optimized for low power consumption and high efficiency execution of DSP algorithms, such as for wireless telephones, as well as pure control tasks.

17 Claims, 34 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 21

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 5. Document ID: US 6549959 B1

L11: Entry 5 of 31   File: USPT   Apr 15, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6549959
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6549959 B1

TITLE: Detecting modification to computer memory by a DMA device

DATE-ISSUED: April 15, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
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Reese; David L.	Westborough	MA		
Van Dyke; Korbin S.	Sunol	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 710/22; 710/1, 711/144, 711/146, 711/170

ABSTRACT:

A method and computer for executing the method. A CPU is programmed to execute first and second processes, the first process programmed to generate a second representation in a computer memory of information of the second process stored in the memory in a first representation. A main memory divided into pages for management by a virtual memory manager that uses a table stored in the memory. DMA (direct memory access) monitoring circuitry and/or software is designed to monitor DMA memory write transactions to a main memory of a computer by a DMA device of the computer; to detect when the first representation is overwritten by a DMA memory write transaction initiated by the second process, without the second process informing the first process of the DMA memory write transaction, the detecting guaranteed to occur no later than the next access of the second representation

following the DMA memory write transaction; to record an indication of a location in the main memory written by the DMA memory write transaction, the DMA monitoring circuitry designed to operate without being informed of the DMA memory write transaction by a CPU of the computer before initiation of the DMA memory write transaction, and to provide the indication to the CPU on request; and to report to the first process that the first representation is overwritten by a DMA memory write transaction. The DMA monitoring circuitry includes a plurality of registers outside the address space of the main memory, each register including an address tag and a vector of memory cells, and control circuitry designed to establish an association between a one of the plurality of registers with a region of the memory when a modification to the region is detected by setting the address tag of the one register to an approximation of the address of the region, and to set the values of the memory cells of the vector to record a fine indication of the address of a memory location modified, the control circuitry being operable without continuing supervisory control of a CPU of the computer. Circuitry is designed to record indications of modification to pages of the main memory into the registers. Read circuitry is designed to respond to a read request from the CPU by providing an address of a modified memory location. The virtual memory management tables do not provide backing store for the modification indications stored in the registers.

60 Claims, 50 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 2
Number of Drawing Sheets: 41

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

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US-PAT-NO: 6549930
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6549930 B1

TITLE: Method for scheduling threads in a multithreaded processor

DATE-ISSUED: April 15, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Weihl; William E.	San Francisco	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 718/104

ABSTRACT:

A method is provided for scheduling execution of a plurality of threads executed in a multithreaded processor. Resource utilizations of each of the plurality of threads are measured while the plurality of threads are concurrently executing in the multithreaded processor. Each of the plurality of threads is scheduled

according to the measured resource utilizations using a thread scheduler.

10 Claims, 21 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 20

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US-PAT-NO: 6493686
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6493686 B1

TITLE: Computer implemented machine learning method and system including
specifically defined introns

DATE-ISSUED: December 10, 2002

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US-CL-CURRENT: 706/12; 700/29, 700/48

ABSTRACT:

In a computer implemented learning and/or process control system, a computer model
is constituted by the most currently fit entity in a population of computer program
entities. The computer model defines fitness as a function of inputs and outputs. A
computing unit accesses the model with a set of inputs, and determines a set of
outputs for which the fitness is highest. This associates a sensory-motor (input-
output) state with a fitness in a manner that might be termed "feeling".

The learning and/or control system preferably utilizes a Compiling Genetic
Programming System (CGPS) in which one or more machine code entities such as
functions are created which represent solutions to a problem and are directly
executable by a computer. The programs are created and altered by a program in a
higher level language such as "C" which is not directly executable, but requires
translation into executable machine code through compilation, interpretation,
translation, etc. The entities are initially created as an integer array that can
be altered by the program as data, and are executed by the program by recasting a
pointer to the array as a function type. The entities are evaluated by executing
them with training data as inputs, and calculating fitnesses based on a
predetermined criterion. The entities are then altered based on their fitnesses
using a genetic machine learning algorithm by recasting the pointer to the array as
a data (e.g. integer) type. This process is iteratively repeated until an end
criterion is reached.

22 Claims, 55 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1

Number of Drawing Sheets: 49

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US-PAT-NO: 6397379
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6397379 B1

TITLE: Recording in a program execution profile references to a memory-mapped active device

DATE-ISSUED: May 28, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 717/140

ABSTRACT:

A method and a computer for execution of the method. As part of executing a stream of instructions, a series of memory loads is issued from a computer CPU to a bus, some directed to well-behaved memory and some directed to non-well-behaved devices in I/O space. Computer addresses are stored of instructions of the stream that issued memory loads to the non-well-behaved memory, the storage form of the recording allowing determination of whether the memory load was to well-behaved memory or not-well-behaved memory without resolution of any memory address stored in the recording.

47 Claims, 5 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 41

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 9.   Document ID: US 6298370 B1

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US-PAT-NO: 6298370
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6298370 B1

TITLE: Computer operating process allocating tasks between first and second processors at run time based upon current processor load

DATE-ISSUED: October 2, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 718/102; 718/100

ABSTRACT:

A process of operating a computer system (100). The computer system (100) has a storage (HDD, 110) holding an operating system (OS) and an application program (APP.exe), a first processor (106) having an instruction set, and a second processor (1730) having a different instruction set. The process includes steps of 1) running (2424) at least some of the operating system (OS) on the first processor (106) so that the first processor (106) sets up for at least part of the application program at run time at least one second processor object (VSP OBJECT 1); and 2) concurrently running the second processor (3310) to access the second processor object (VSP OBJECT1) and thereby determine operations for the second processor (1730) to access second processor instructions for said part of the application program (APP.exe) and data to be processed according to said second processor instructions, and running (2436) the second processor (1730) to process the data according to said second processor instructions. Other processes, systems, devices and methods are also disclosed.

2 Claims, 159 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 104

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	KWIC	Draw D

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US-PAT-NO: 6195748
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TITLE: Apparatus for sampling instruction execution information in a processor pipeline

DATE-ISSUED: February 27, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Waldspurger; Carl A.	Atherton	CA		
Weihl; William E.	San Francisco	CA		

Leibholz; Daniel L.   Cambridge   MA
McLellan; Edward J.   Holliston   MA

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>712</u>/<u>227</u>; <u>714</u>/<u>38</u>, <u>714</u>/<u>45</u>

ABSTRACT:

An apparatus is provided for sampling instructions in a processor pipeline of a
computer system. The pipeline has a plurality of processing stages. Instructions
are fetched into a first stage of the pipeline. A subset of the fetched
instructions are identified as selected instructions. Event, latency, and state
information of the system is sampled while any of the selected instructions are in
any stage of the pipeline. Software is informed whenever any of the selected
instructions leaves the pipeline to read the event and latency information.

49 Claims, 22 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 21

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US-PAT-NO: 6179489
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6179489 B1

TITLE: Devices, methods, systems and software products for coordination of computer
main microprocessor and second microprocessor coupled thereto

DATE-ISSUED: January 30, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>718</u>/<u>102</u>

ABSTRACT:

A process is provided for operating a computer system (100) having a storage
holding an operating system (OS) and an application program (APP.exe) and a third
program (VSP Kernel), a first processor (106) having an instruction set, and a
second processor (1730) having a different instruction set. The process includes a
first step of running the first processor (106) to determine whether a part of the
application shall be run on the first processor or the second processor and then
establishing a second processor object (VSP OBJECT1) if said part shall be run on
the second processor and the first processor (106) sending a message that the

second processor (1730) is to run said at least part of the application program.
The third program establishes message handling functions and bus masters data
transfer operations for the second processor between the host running the operating
system and the second processor running the third program. The process concurrently
runs the second processor to perform operations defined by the third program,
including to access memory to detect the message that the second processor is to
run said at least part of the application program, and runs the second processor
(1730) to access the second processor object and thereby determine operations for
the second processor to access second processor instructions for said part of the
application program and data to be processed according to said second processor
instructions.

3 Claims, 159 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 104

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US-PAT-NO: 6178492
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TITLE: Data processor capable of executing two instructions having operand
interference at high speed in parallel

DATE-ISSUED: January 23, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/23; 712/206, 712/212

ABSTRACT:

A data processor comprises an instruction decoding unit having two decoders
decoding respective instructions of an instruction group consisting of a plurality
of instructions including a first instruction and a second instruction succeeding
the first instruction, and a judging unit judging whether or not a combination of
the first instruction and the second instruction can be executed in parallel and a
bus for transferring two data in parallel between an operand access unit and an
integer operation unit. The data processor uses a superscalar technique. Two
instructions having an operand interference can be executed in parallel at high
speed and two instructions accessing a memory can be executed in parallel without
considerable hardware.

30 Claims, 78 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 78

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

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TITLE: Method and apparatus for sampling multiple potentially concurrent
instructions in a processor pipeline

DATE-ISSUED: December 19, 2000

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/227

ABSTRACT:

An apparatus is provided for sampling multiple concurretly executing instructions
in a processor pipeline of a system. The pipeline has a plurality of processing
stages. The apparatus identifies multiple selected when the instructions are
fetched into a first stage of the pipeline. A subset of the the multiple selected
instructions to execute concurrently in the pipeline. State information of the
system is sampled while any of the multiple selected instructions are in any stage
of the pipeline. Software is informed whenever all of the selected instructions
leave the pipeline so that the software can read any of the state information.

39 Claims, 22 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 21

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

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TITLE: Apparatus for sampling path history in a processor pipeline

DATE-ISSUED: November 14, 2000

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>712/227</u>; <u>712/216</u>, <u>714/47</u>

ABSTRACT:

An apparatus is provided for collecting state information associated with an
execution path of recently processed instructions in a processor pipeline of a
computer system. The apparatus identifies a class of instructions to be sampled.
Path-identifying state information of a currently processed instruction is sampled
when the currently processed instruction belongs to the identified class of
instructions. A shift register stores a predetermined number of entries storing
selected state information, the shift register is simultaneously sampled along with
additional state information about the instruction being executed at the time of
sampling.

43 Claims, 22 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 21

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 15. Document ID: US 6128607 A

L11: Entry 15 of 31   File: USPT   Oct 3, 2000

US-PAT-NO: 6128607
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6128607 A

TITLE: Computer implemented machine learning method and system

DATE-ISSUED: October 3, 2000

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>706</u>/<u>13</u>

ABSTRACT:

One or more machine code entities such as functions are created which represent
solutions to a problem and are directly executable by a computer. The programs are
created and altered by a program in a higher level language such as "C" which is
not directly executable, but requires translation into executable machine code
through compilation, interpretation, translation, etc. The entities are initially
created as an integer array that can be altered by the program as data, and are
executed by the program by recasting a pointer to the array as a function type. The
entities are evaluated by executing them with training data as inputs, and
calculating fitnesses based on a predetermined criterion. The entities are then
altered based on their fitnesses using a machine learning algorithm by recasting
the pointer to the array as a data (e.g. integer) type. This process is iteratively
repeated until an end criterion is reached. The entities evolve in such a manner as
to improve their fitness, and one entity is ultimately produced which represents an
optimal solution to the problem. Each entity includes a plurality of directly
executable machine code instructions, a header, a footer, and a return instruction.
The instructions include branch instructions which enable subroutines, leaf
functions, external function calls, recursion, and loops. The system can be
implemented on an integrated circuit chip, with the entities stored in high speed
memory in a central processing unit.

202 Claims, 49 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 44

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw. D |

☐ 16. Document ID: US 6119075 A

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US-PAT-NO: 6119075
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6119075 A

TITLE: Method for estimating statistics of properties of interactions processed by
a processor pipeline

DATE-ISSUED: September 12, 2000

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>702</u>/<u>186</u>; <u>712</u>/<u>237</u>, <u>712</u>/<u>240</u>

ABSTRACT:

Provided is a method for estimating statistics of properties of interactions among instructions processed in a pipeline of a computer system, the pipeline having a plurality of processing stages. Instructions are fetched into a first stage of the pipeline. A set of instructions are randomly selected from the fetched instructions, a subset of the set of selected instructions concurrently executing with each other. A distances between the set of selected instructions is specified, and state information of the computer system is recorded while the set of selected instructions is being processed by the pipeline. The recorded state information is communicated to software where it is statistically analyzed for a plurality of sets of selected instructions to estimate statistics of the interactions among sets of selected instructions.

34 Claims, 23 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 22

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

□ 17. Document ID: US 6112289 A

L11: Entry 17 of 31   File: USPT   Aug 29, 2000

US-PAT-NO: 6112289
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6112289 A
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TITLE: Data processor

DATE-ISSUED: August 29, 2000

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/23; 710/5

ABSTRACT:

A data processor comprises an instruction decoding unit having two decoders decoding respective instructions of an instruction group consisting of a plurality of instructions including a first instruction and a second instruction succeeding the first instruction, and a judging unit judging whether or not a combination of the first instruction and the second instruction can be executed in parallel and a bus for transferring two data in parallel between an operand access unit and an integer operation unit. The data processor uses a superscalar technique. Two instructions having an operand interference can be executed in parallel at high speed and two instructions accessing a memory can be executed in parallel without considerable hardware.

8 Claims, 78 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 78

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 18.   Document ID: US 6105119 A

L11: Entry 18 of 31   File: USPT   Aug 15, 2000

US-PAT-NO: 6105119
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6105119 A

TITLE: Data transfer circuitry, DSP wrapper circuitry and improved processor
devices, methods and systems

DATE-ISSUED: August 15, 2000

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 711/219; 710/110

ABSTRACT:

An integrated circuit (1720) includes a dual-port memory (3330.1) having a first
memory port (Port A) and a second memory port (Port B), a bus interface block
(5010) including bus master (5016) and bus slave circuitry (5018), and a byte-
channeling block (5310) coupled between the first memory port (Port A) and the bus
interface block (5010) operable to convert non-aligned data addresses into aligned
data. Advantageously, this invention includes a single bus master serving all
application hardware. This relieves the host of the extra burden of communicating
to slave circuits, reducing host I/O MIPS significantly. The digital signal
processor with an ASIC wrapper of this invention together provide super-bus-
mastering to access the entire memory space in the system, including the entire
virtual memory space accessible by the host processor. Other processes, systems,
devices and methods are also disclosed.

2 Claims, 159 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 104

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 19.   Document ID: US 6092180 A

L11: Entry 19 of 31   File: USPT   Jul 18, 2000

US-PAT-NO: 6092180
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6092180 A

TITLE: Method for measuring latencies by randomly selected sampling of the instructions while the instruction are executed

DATE-ISSUED: July 18, 2000

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/200; 712/202, 712/216, 717/158, 717/159

ABSTRACT:

In a method for scheduling instructions executed in a computer system including a processor and a memory subsystem, pipeline latencies and resource utilization are measured by sampling hardware while the instructions are executing. The instructions are then scheduled according to the measured latencies and resource utilizations using an instruction scheduler.

18 Claims, 22 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 20

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

□ 20. Document ID: US 6070009 A

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US-PAT-NO: 6070009
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6070009 A

TITLE: Method for estimating execution rates of program execution paths

DATE-ISSUED: May 30, 2000

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US-CL-CURRENT: 717/130; 717/132, 717/154, 717/159

ABSTRACT:

A method is provided for estimating execution rates of program executions paths. The method samples path-identifying state information of selected instructions while executing the program in a processor. A control flow graph of the program is supplied, the control flow graph includes a plurality of path segments. The control flow graph is analyzed using the path-identifying state information to identify a set of path segments that are consistent with the sampled state information. The set of paths segments can be counted to determine their relative execution frequencies.

22 Claims, 22 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 20

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 21. Document ID: US 6000044 A

L11: Entry 21 of 31   File: USPT   Dec 7, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 6000044
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6000044 A

TITLE: Apparatus for randomly sampling instructions in a processor pipeline

DATE-ISSUED: December 7, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 714/47; 702/182, 702/183, 702/186, 712/233, 712/244, 713/502, 714/37, 714/39, 714/45

ABSTRACT:

An apparatus is provided for sampling instructions in a processor pipeline of a system. The pipeline has a plurality of processing stages. The apparatus includes a fetch unit for fetching instructions into a first stage of the pipeline. Certain randomly selected instructions are identified, and state information of the system is sampled while a particular selected instruction is in any stage of the pipeline. Software is informed when the particular selected instruction leaves the pipeline so that the software can read any of the sampled state information.

29 Claims, 22 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 21

Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D

☐ 22.   Document ID: US 5964867 A

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TITLE: Method for inserting memory prefetch operations based on measured latencies
in a program optimizer

DATE-ISSUED: October 12, 1999

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/219; 712/207, 712/216

ABSTRACT:

A method is provided for optimizing a program by inserting memory prefetch
operations in the program executing in a computer system. The computer system
includes a processor and a memory. Latencies of instructions of the program are
measured by hardware while the instructions are processed by a pipeline of the
processor. Memory prefetch instructions are automatically inserted in the program
based on the measured latencies to optimize execution of the program. The latencies
measure the time from when a load instructions issues a request for data to the
memory until the data are available in the processor. A program optimizer uses the
measured latencies to estimate the number of cycles that elapse before data of a
memory operation are available.

7 Claims, 21 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 21

Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D

☐ 23.   Document ID: US 5946674 A

L11: Entry 23 of 31   File: USPT   Aug 31, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5946674

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5946674 A

TITLE: Turing complete computer implemented machine learning method and system

DATE-ISSUED: August 31, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 706/13

ABSTRACT:

One or more machine code entities such as functions are created which represent solutions to a problem and are directly executable by a computer. The programs are created and altered by a program in a higher level language such as "C" which is not directly executable, but requires translation into executable machine code through compilation, interpretation, translation, etc. The entities are initially created as an integer array that can be altered by the program as data, and are executed by the program by recasting a pointer to the array as a function type. The entities are evaluated by executing them with training data as inputs, and calculating fitnesses based on a predetermined criterion. The entities are then altered based on their fitnesses using a machine learning algorithm by recasting the pointer to the array as a data (e.g. integer) type. This process is iteratively repeated until an end criterion is reached. The entities evolve in such a manner as to improve their fitness, and one entity is ultimately produced which represents an optimal solution to the problem. Each entity includes a plurality of directly executable machine code instructions, a header, a footer, and a return instruction. The instructions include branch instructions which enable subroutines, leaf functions, external function calls, recursion, and loops. The system can be implemented on an integrated circuit chip, with the entities stored in high speed memory in a central processing unit.

18 Claims, 49 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 44

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D' |

□ 24. Document ID: US 5946673 A

L11: Entry 24 of 31   File: USPT   Aug 31, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5946673
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TITLE: Computer implemented machine learning and control system

DATE-ISSUED: August 31, 1999

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US-CL-CURRENT: 706/13; 700/246, 701/301

ABSTRACT:

In a computer implemented learning and/or process control system, a computer model is constituted by the most currently fit entity in a population of computer program entities. The computer model defines fitness as a function of inputs and outputs. A computing unit accesses the model with a set of inputs, and determines a set of outputs for which the fitness is highest. This associates a sensory-motor (input-output) state with a fitness in a manner that might be termed "feeling". The learning and/or control system preferably utilizes a compiling Genetic Programming system (CGPS) in which one or more machine code entities such as functions are created which represent solutions to a problem and are directly executable by a computer. The programs are created and altered by a program in a higher level language such as "C" which is not directly executable, but requires translation into executable machine code through compilation, interpretation, translation, etc. The entities are initially created as an integer array that can be altered by the program as data, and are executed by the program by recasting a pointer to the array as a function type. The entities are evaluated by executing them with training data as inputs, and calculating fitnesses based on a predetermined criterion. The entities are then altered based on their fitnesses using a genetic machine learning algorithm by recasting the pointer to the array as a data (e.g. integer) type. This process is iteratively repeated until an end criterion is reached.

68 Claims, 55 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 25
Number of Drawing Sheets: 49

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	KWIC	Draw D

□ 25. Document ID: US 5923872 A

L11: Entry 25 of 31   File: USPT   Jul 13, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5923872
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5923872 A

TITLE: Apparatus for sampling instruction operand or result values in a processor pipeline

DATE-ISSUED: July 13, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/244; 712/23

ABSTRACT:

An apparatus is provided for sampling values of operands of instructions in a
processor pipeline of a system, the pipeline having a plurality of processing
stages. Instructions are fetched into a first stage of the pipeline. Any one of the
fetched instructions are identified as a particular selected instruction. Values of
results computed during the processing of the particular selected instruction are
recorded in a sampling record along with state information identifying the
particular selected instruction. Software is informed whenever the particular
selected instruction leaves the pipeline to read the recorded values and state
information.

32 Claims, 22 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 21

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 26.   Document ID: US 5909559 A

L11: Entry 26 of 31   File: USPT   Jun 1, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5909559
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5909559 A

TITLE: Bus bridge device including data bus of first width for a first processor,
memory controller, arbiter circuit and second processor having a different second
data width

DATE-ISSUED: June 1, 1999

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US-CL-CURRENT: 710/307

ABSTRACT:

An integrated circuit (2210) provides on a single chip for use with a first
processor (106) off-chip, the following combination: first terminals (of 2232) for
first processor-related signals and defining a first data width (32-bit), second
terminals for external bus-related signals (PCI), third terminals for memory-
related signals (of 2258), and a DRAM memory controller (2250) connected to the
third terminals. Further on chip is provided an arbiter circuit (2230), a bus
bridge circuit (2236) coupled to the DRAM memory controller and to the second
terminals, the bus bridge (2236) also coupled to the arbiter (2230), a second
processor (2224) having a second data width (16-bit), and a bus interface circuit

(2220) coupling the second data width of the second processor (2224) to the first data width. The bus interface circuit (2220) further has bus master and bus slave circuitry coupled between the second processor (2224) and the arbiter circuit (2230). The bus bridge (2236), the bus interface (2220) and the first terminals and the DRAM memory controller (2250) have datapaths selectively interconnected in response to the arbiter circuit (2230). Other devices, systems and methods are also disclosed.

5 Claims, 159 Drawing figures
Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 104

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw D |

☐ 27.   Document ID: US 5884060 A

L11: Entry 27 of 31   File: USPT   Mar 16, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5884060
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5884060 A

TITLE: Processor which performs dynamic instruction scheduling at time of execution within a single clock cycle

DATE-ISSUED: March 16, 1999

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US-CL-CURRENT: 712/215

ABSTRACT:

An apparatus and method for scheduling the execution of one or more of a sequence of instructions for superscalar execution by a central processing unit during a single clock cycle of the processor clock is disclosed wherein the scheduling process is performed in a manner which does not dictate the duration of the processor clock period. During the decode stage of the processor pipeline, the instructions are classified, decoded, and data and resource dependencies are detected and resolved for operand access, with these processes being performed virtually in parallel so that the instructions can be appropriately scheduled for execution at the beginning of the next processor clock cycle. Because of the parallel nature of the scheduling process, scheduling can be performed and completed fast enough that processes other than instruction scheduling will dictate the minimum processor clock period.

15 Claims, 24 Drawing figures

Exemplary Claim Number: 1
Number of Drawing Sheets: 23

| Full | Title | Citation | Front | Review | Classification | Date | Reference | Sequences | Attachments | Claims | KWIC | Draw. D. |

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06217629	4340519	150	12/18/1980	POLYESTER RESIN AQUEOUS DISPERSION	MIYAKE, HIDEO
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1 Optimal integrated code generation for clustered VLIW architectures   ■

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In contrast to standard compilers, generating code for DSPs can afford spending considerable resources in time and space on optimizations. Generating efficient code for irregular architectures requires an integrated method that optimizes simultaneously for instruction selection, instruction scheduling, and register allocation.We describe a method for fully integrated optimal code generation based on dynamic programming. We introduce the concept of *residence classes* and *space profiles*
Keywords: *dynamic programming, instruction scheduling, instruction selection, integrated code generation, register allocation, space profile*

2 Resource usage models for instruction scheduling: two new models and a classification   ■

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3 Compiler optimization on VLIW instruction scheduling for low power   ■

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In this article, we investigate compiler transformation techniques regarding the problem of scheduling VLIW instructions aimed at reducing power consumption of VLIW architectures in the instruction bus. The problem can be categorized into two types: horizontal scheduling and vertical scheduling. For the case of horizontal scheduling, we propose a bipartite-matching scheme for instruction scheduling. We prove that our greedy bipartite-matching scheme always gives the optimal switching activities ...

Keywords: Compilers, VLIW instruction scheduling, instruction bus optimizations, low-power optimization

4 Instruction fetch mechanisms for VLIW architectures with compressed encodings

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VLIW architectures use very wide instruction words in conjunction with high bandwidth to the instruction cache to achieve multiple instruction issue. This report uses the TINKER experimental testbed to examine instruction fetch and instruction cache mechanisms for VLIWs. A compressed instruction encoding for VLIWs is defined and a classification scheme for i-fetch hardware for such an encoding is introduced. Several interesting cache and i-fetch organizations are described and evaluated through ...

Keywords: TINKER experimental testbed, VLIW architectures, compressed encodings, compressed instruction encoding, i-fetch hardware, instruction cache, instruction fetch mechanisms, instruction words, multiple instruction issue, parallel architectures, silo cache, trace-driven simulations

5 Scheduling time-constrained instructions on pipelined processors

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In this work we investigate the problem of scheduling instructions on idealized microprocessors with multiple pipelines, in the presence of precedence constraints, release-times, deadlines, and latency constraints. A latency of lij specifies that there must be at least lij time-steps between the completion time of instruction i and the start time of instruction j. A latency of

6 ILP-based Instruction Scheduling for IA-64

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The IA-64 architecture has been designed as a synthesis of VLIW and superscalar design principles. It incorporates typical functionality known from embedded processors as multiply/accumulate units and SIMD operations for 3D graphics operations. In this paper we present an ILP formulation for the problem of instruction scheduling for IA-64. In order to obtain a feasible schedule it is necessary to model the data dependences, resource constraints as well as additional encoding restrictions&mdas ...

7 Compiler scheduling: Effective instruction scheduling techniques for an interleaved cache clustered VLIW processor

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Clustering is a common technique to overcome the wire delay problem incurred by the evolution of technology. Fully-distributed architectures, where the register file, the functional units and the data cache are partitioned, are particularly effective to deal with these constraints and besides they are very scalable. In this paper effective instruction scheduling techniques for a clustered VLIW processor with a word-interleaved cache are proposed. Such scheduling techniques rely on: (i) loop unro ...

8 Software pipelining: an effective scheduling technique for VLIW machines

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This paper shows that software pipelining is an effective and viable scheduling technique for VLIW processors. In software pipelining, iterations of a loop in the source program are continuously initiated at constant intervals, before the preceding iterations complete. The advantage of software pipelining is that optimal performance can be achieved with compact object code. This paper extends previous results of software pipelining in two ways: First, this paper shows that by usi ...

9 Efficient DAG construction and heuristic calculation for instruction scheduling

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10 Scheduling time-critical instructions on RISC machines

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We present a polynomial time algorithm for constructing a minimum completion time schedule of instructions from a basic block on RISC machines such as the Sun SPARC, the IBM 801, the Berkeley RISC machine, and the HP Precision Architecture. Our algorithm can be used as a heuristic for RISC processors with longer pipelines, for which there is no known optimal algorithm. Our algorithm can also handle time-critical instructions, which are instructions that have to be completed by a specific ti ...

Keywords: NP-complete, RISC machine scheduling, compiler optimization, deadline, greedy algorithm, instruction scheduling, latency, pipeline processor, register allocation

11 A survey of processors with explicit multithreading

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Hardware multithreading is becoming a generally applied technique in the next generation of microprocessors. Several multithreaded processors are announced by industry or already into production in the areas of high-performance microprocessors, media, and network processors.A multithreaded processor is able to pursue two or more threads of control in parallel within the processor pipeline. The contexts of two or more threads of control are

often stored in separate on-chip register sets. Unused i ...

Keywords: Blocked multithreading, interleaved multithreading, simultaneous multithreading

12 Code reuse in an optimizing compiler

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This paper describes how the cmcc compiler reuses code---both internally (reuse between different modules) and externally (reuse between versions for different target machines). The key to reuse are the application frameworks developed for global data-flow analysis, code generation, instruction scheduling, and register allocation.The code produced by cmcc is as good as the code produced by the native compilers for the MIPS and SPARC, although significantly less resources have been spent on cmcc ...

13 Measurement and evaluation of the MIPS architecture and processor

Thomas R. Gross, John L. Hennessy, Steven A. Przybylski, Christopher Rowen

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MIPS is a 32-bit processor architecture that has been implemented as an nMOS VLSI chip. The instruction set architecture is RISC-based. Close coupling with compilers and efficient use of the instruction set by compiled programs were goals of the architecture. The MIPS architecture requires that the software implement some constraints in the design that are normally considered part of the hardware implementation. This paper presents experimental results on the effectiveness of this processor ...

14 Instruction path coprocessors

Yuan Chou, John Paul Shen

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This paper presents the concept of an Instruction Path Coprocessor (I-COP), which is a programmable on-chip coprocessor, with its own mini-instruction set, that operates on the core processor's instructions to transform them into an internal format that can be more efficiently executed. It is located off the critical path of the core processor to ensure that it does not negatively impact the core processor's cycle time or pipeline depth. An I-COP is highly versatile and can be used ...

15 Scheduling time-critical instructions on RISC machines

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An instruction or a set of instructions can be considered time critical if their execution is required to free up a resource. Time critical instructions might be used to make shared

resources such as registers more quickly available for reuse; or they might be used for real time computations, portions of which are critical for the operation of some piece of equipment. In this paper we present a polynomial time algorithm for optimally scheduling instructions with or without time critical con ...

16 Experience with a software-defined machine architecture

David W. Wall

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We have built a system in which the compiler back end and the linker work together to present an abstract machine at a considerably higher level than the actual machine. The intermediate language translated by the back end is the target language of all high-level compilers and is also the only assembly language generally available. This lets us do intermodule register allocation, which would be harder if some of the code in the program had come from a traditional assembler, out of sight of ...

Keywords: RISC, graph coloring, intermediate language, interprocedural, optimization, pipeline scheduling, profiling, register allocation, register windows

17 Session 10B: VLIW exploration and deisgn synthesis: Power exploration for embedded VLIW architectures

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In this paper, we propose a system-level power exploration methodology for embedded VLIW architectures based on an instruction-level analysis. The instruction-level energy model targets a general pipeline scalar processor; several architectural parameters such as number and type of pipeline stages as well as average stall/latency cycles per instruction and inter-instruction effects are taken into account. The application of the proposed model to VLIW processors results intractable from the point ...

18 Efficient instruction scheduling using finite state automata

Vasanth Bala, Norman Rubin

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19 Static resource models for code-size efficient embedded processors

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Due to an increasing need for flexibility, embedded systems embody more and more programmable processors as their core components. Due to silicon area and power considerations, the corresponding instruction sets are often highly encoded to minimize code size for given performance requirements. This has hampered the development of robust optimizing compilers because the resulting irregular instruction set architectures are far from convenient compiler targets. Among other considerations, they int ...

Keywords: Static resource models, constraint analysis, convex hull, phase coupling, scheduling

20 Available instruction-level parallelism for superscalar and superpipelined machines

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Superscalar machines can issue several instructions per cycle. Superpipelined machines can issue only one instruction per cycle, but they have cycle times shorter than the latency of any functional unit. In this paper these two techniques are shown to be roughly equivalent ways of exploiting instruction-level parallelism. A parameterizable code reorganization and simulation system was developed and used to measure instruction-level parallelism for a series of benchmarks. Results of these si ...

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